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U.S. Occupied Area of Germany:

In the following Appendices "A", "B" and "C" are summaries of communicable disease cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 13 September 1947. Summarized in Appendix "D" is a report of Animal Diseases by Land for the half month period ended 31 August 1947 (Veterinary reports are submitted semi-monthsly), together with a comparison of the three immediately preceding periods.

Communicable Diseases:

While the incidence of diphtheria, scarlet fever, and poliomyelitis increased during the week ended 13 September, the general trend was downward with decreases in tuberculosis, gonorrhea, syphilis, infectious dysentery, malaria and measles.

Diphtheria continues its gradual increase of the past few weeks with 688 reported cases as compared with 608 during the previous week. During the corresponding week of 1946 there were 975 cases reported. The increase in scarlet fever was slight but continues the increased trend of the past month and is likewise below the rate of the corresponding period of 1946. Poliomyelitis increased from 80 cases and six deaths to 92 cases and 10 deaths during the current week with most of the increase occurring in the U.S. Sector of Berlin. During the second week of September 1946 there were 36 cases reported for the Zone as a whole, the highest weekly report of the year.

There was a slight decrease in gonorrhea while syphilis decreased from 1020 to 836 cases, the lowest weekly report since the first week of April 1947. Following increases of infectious dysentery during the latter part of August there has been a decrease for the past two weeks. Only 9 cases of malaria were reported and with the exception of one week's report in August is the lowest weekly report during the past four months. Measles decreased from 206 to 140 cases. There were 141 cases reported during the corresponding week of September 1946, following which the incidence continued to rise reaching the peak of 1715 cases during the second week of December and has since been gradually declining to the 140 cases of the current week.

Animal Diseases:

There were no significant changes in the incidence of reported animal diseases during this period.

APPENDIX "A"

Communicable Disease Report U.S. Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 13 September 1947

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation a)	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS from COMMUNICABLE DISEASES																			c: Cases d: Deaths								
		Typhus Fever Louse Borne		Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis epid.	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
TOTAL US Occupied Area	18,514,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	688 18	215 —	994 143	263 24	318 3	6 4	92 10	1941 —	836 1	156 16	164 2	70 3	3 1	—	76	2057	3 1	—	9	67	140
Unterfranken	1,032,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	21 1	5 —	35 9	13 2	40 1	—	—	75 —	31 —	11 1	46 1	2 —	—	—	1	171	—	—	2	2	31
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,360,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	76 3	20 —	153 13	26 1	97 —	—	4	293	105	33	16	11	2	1	21	435	1 1	—	—	38	23
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,048,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	68 3	21 —	66 14	7 2	38 1	1	2	86	56	32	45	—	—	—	2	518	—	—	1	1	19
Schwaben	1,243,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	48 3	16 —	40 7	81 —	18 —	1 —	1	72	29	11	7	—	—	—	2	73	—	—	—	2	2
Oberbayern	2,466,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	74 3	28 —	164 9	7 2	18 —	—	7	332	154	23	24	14	—	—	9	436	1	—	1	19	7
Kassel	1,266,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	44 1	20 —	34 6	21 2	18 1	1	4	86	37	6	—	1	—	—	4	123	—	—	—	—	11
Wiesbaden	1,593,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	59 1	21 —	112 11	18 3	14 —	—	3	285	123	5	5	6	—	—	4	29	—	—	1	—	35
Darmstadt	1,301,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	71 1	21 —	41 6	12 —	38 —	—	5	75	27	3	1	4	—	—	18	99	1	—	—	—	3
Baden	1,409,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	63 1	25 —	58 13	21 1	6 —	1	1	123	46	7	2	7	1	—	2	96	—	—	—	—	1
Wuerttemberg	2,299,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	84 1	24 —	102 19	34 1	30 —	2	4	195	77	13	11	—	—	—	1	39	—	—	1	—	8
Bremen	497,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	36 —	4 —	52 —	8 —	1 —	—	2	178	91	5	7	57	—	—	12	38	—	—	—	5	—
Berlin (US Sector)	1,000,000	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	44 —	10 —	137 35	15 3	—	—	59	141	60	7	—	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 July 1947.

— Indicates no data submitted.

APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) U.S. Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 13 September 1947

Land	Popu- lation a)	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS from COMMUNICABLE DISEASES																										c: Cases		d: Deaths		
		Cases, Deaths		Typhus Fever	Louse Borne	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis	Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis epid.	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
Total US Occupied Area	18,514,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	688	215	994	263	318	6	92	1941	886	156	164	70	3	—	—	76	2057	3	—	—	9	67	140
Bavaria	9,149,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	90	458	134	211	4	10	—	—	16	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	62	82
Hesse	4,160,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	62	187	51	70	2	2	—	—	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	49
Wuerttemberg- Baden	3,708,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	49	160	55	36	1	3	—	—	1	—	11	—	—	—	—	26	251	1	—	1	—	9
Bremen	497,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	52	8	1	—	—	—	—	4	1	7	1	—	—	—	3	135	—	—	1	—	—
Berlin	1,000,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	36	10	137	15	+	—	—	2	178	91	5	7	5	—	—	12	38	—	—	—	—	5	—
US Sector)		P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	44	10	137	15	+	—	—	59	141	60	7	—	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	—	3	+	+

Case Rates Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Total US Occupied Area	18,514,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.3	6.0	27.9	7.4	8.9	0.2	2.6	54.5	23.5	4.4	4.6	2.0	0.1	—	—	2.1	57.8	0.1	—	0.3	1.9	3.9
Bavaria	9,149,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.3	5.1	26.0	7.6	12.0	0.1	0.8	48.8	21.3	6.3	7.8	1.5	0.1	—	—	2.0	92.8	0.1	—	0.2	3.5	4.7
Hesse	4,160,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21.8	7.8	23.4	6.4	8.8	0.1	1.5	55.8	23.4	1.8	0.8	1.4	—	—	—	3.3	31.4	0.1	—	0.1	—	6.1
Wuerttemberg-Baden	3,708,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.6	6.9	22.4	7.7	5.0	0.4	0.7	44.6	17.2	2.8	1.8	1.0	0.1	—	—	0.4	18.9	—	—	0.1	—	1.3
Bremen	497,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	37.7	4.2	54.4	8.4	1.0	—	2.1	105.2	95.2	5.2	7.3	5.2	—	—	—	12.6	39.8	—	—	—	5.2	—
Berlin (US Sector)	1,000,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.9	5.2	71.2	7.8	+	—	30.7	73.3	31.2	3.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	1.6	+	+

+ Indicates no data submitted. — Indicates no cases reported.

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 July 1947.

APPENDIX "C" Communicable Disease Rates U.S. Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 13 September 1947

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation a)	Typhus Fever	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung & Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis Epidemic	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
Total US Occupied Area	18,514,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.3	6.0	27.9	7.4	8.9	0.2	2.6	54.5	23.5	4.4	4.6	2.0	0.1	—	2.1	57.8	0.1	—	0.3	1.9	3.9
Unterfranken	1,032,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.6	2.5	17.6	6.6	20.2	—	—	37.8	15.6	5.5	23.2	1.0	—	—	0.5	86.2	—	—	1.0	1.0	15.6
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,360,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.7	4.4	33.7	5.7	21.4	—	0.9	64.6	23.1	7.3	3.5	2.4	0.4	—	4.6	95.8	0.2	—	—	8.4	5.1
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,048,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	17.3	5.3	16.8	1.8	9.6	0.3	0.5	21.8	14.2	8.1	11.4	—	—	—	0.5	131.5	—	0.3	0.3	4.8	4.8
Schwaben	1,243,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.1	6.7	16.7	33.9	7.5	0.4	0.4	30.1	12.1	4.6	2.9	—	—	—	0.8	30.5	—	—	—	0.8	0.8
Oberbayern	2,466,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	15.6	5.9	34.6	1.5	3.8	—	1.5	70.0	32.5	4.9	5.1	3.0	—	—	1.9	91.9	0.2	—	0.2	4.0	1.5
Kassel	1,266,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	18.1	8.2	14.0	8.6	7.4	0.4	1.6	35.3	15.2	2.5	—	0.4	—	—	1.6	50.5	—	—	—	—	4.5
Wiesbaden	1,593,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.3	6.9	36.6	5.9	4.6	—	1.0	93.0	40.2	1.6	1.6	2.0	—	—	1.3	9.5	—	0.3	—	—	11.4
Darmstadt	1,301,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	28.4	8.4	16.4	4.8	15.2	—	2.0	30.0	10.8	1.2	0.4	1.6	—	—	7.2	39.6	0.4	—	—	—	1.2
Baden	1,409,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.3	9.2	21.4	7.8	2.2	0.4	0.4	45.4	17.0	2.6	0.7	2.6	0.4	—	0.7	35.4	—	—	—	—	0.4
Wuerttemberg	2,299,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.0	5.4	23.1	7.7	6.8	0.5	0.9	44.1	17.4	2.9	2.5	—	—	—	0.2	8.8	—	0.2	—	—	1.8
Bremen	497,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	37.7	4.2	54.4	8.4	1.0	—	2.1	186.2	95.2	5.2	7.3	5.2	—	—	12.6	39.8	—	—	—	5.2	—
Berlin (US Sector)	1,000,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.9	5.2	71.2	7.8	+	—	30.7	73.3	31.2	3.6	—	10.4	—	—	—	+	—	—	1.6	+	+

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 July 1947.

+ Indicates no data submitted. — Indicates no cases reported. 0.0 Indicates rates between 0 and 0.05. (Rates Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum).

APPENDIX "D"

Incidence of Reportable Animal Diseases in the US Zone of Germany for the Period 16-31 August 1947*

Disease	Land Bavaria	Land Hesse	Land Baden Württbg.	Land Bremen	Berlin Dist.	Total US Zone 16-31 August	Total US Zone 1-15 August	Total US Zone 16-31 July	Total US Zone 1-15 July
Anthrax			1			1			1
Blackleg	1		1			2	2		2
Coital vesicular exanthema	4		3			7	5		
Contagious abortion of bovine	2	1	1			4	6	5	2
Dourine of equine									
Encephalomyelitis of equine (& Borna)	1		3			4	4	7	12
Erysipelas	293	108	43			444	417	534	535
Foot and mouth disease									
Fowl cholera							4	2	
Fowl pest	36		11			47	71	55	120
Glanders							1	5	1
Infectious anemia of equine	6		1			7	6	12	10
Malignant edema of bovine									
Pox of ovine									
Rabies									
Scabies of bovine			1			1			
Scabies of equine	3	1	3	1		7	7	4	10
Scabies of ovine	14					14	17	5	5
Swine fever								1	6
Texas tick fever							5	1	4
Trichomoniasis	21		10			31		5	1
Tuberculosis of bovine (open)			3			3	7	4	7
Brood disease of Bees							4		
Strangles of Horses								1	
Nosemosis of Bees									4

*All Figures are numbers of farms newly infected.



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